

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611



Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 21, 2011

10:00 AM

Board Room

Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Michael A. Alvarez, Commissioner Frank Avila, Commissioner Patricia Horton, Vice- President Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Kathleen Therese Meany, Chairman of Finance Cynthia M. Santos, Commissioner Debra Shore, Commissioner Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, President Terrence J. O'Brien

THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL GOVERN THE MEETING PROCESS:

- 1. Board Members who vote "Nay, Present, or Abstain" or have a question on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.**
- 2. Citizens in the audience who address the Board on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.**
- 3. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are considered separately.**
- 4. One roll call vote is taken to cover all Consent Agenda Items.**

Call Meeting to Order

President Terrence J. O'Brien presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 9 - Michael A. Alvarez; Frank Avila; Patricia Horton; Barbara J. McGowan; Kathleen Therese Meany; Cynthia M. Santos; Debra Shore; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; and Terrence J. O'Brien

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that the minutes from the last meeting be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Recess and Reconvene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Kathleen Therese Meany, seconded by Debra Shore, to recess and reconvene as a committee of the whole. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of Ayes - No Nays

Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 3:05 p.m. President O'Brien reconvened the regular board meeting to order

Finance Committee

Report

- 1 [11-0499](#) Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of March 2011, in the amount of \$57,721,217.95

Attachments: [March 2011 Disbursement Report](#)

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 2 [11-0508](#) Authority to add Project 10-185-3E, Pump and Blower Medium Voltage Switchgear Replacement, Stickney Water Reclamation Plant (WRP), to the Engineering Department Capital Improvements Program and the Capital Improvements Bond Fund, estimated cost of the project is \$8,000,000.00

Approved

Procurement Committee

Report

- 3 [11-0503](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, April 12, 2011

 Published and Filed
- 4 [11-0505](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, April 5, 2011

 Published and Filed
- 5 [11-0528](#) Report on rejection of bids for Contract 11-904-11, Furnishing and Delivering PLC and VFD Parts and Modules for Exchange at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$90,000.00

 Published and Filed
- 6 [11-0529](#) Report on rejection of bids for Contract 11-932-11, Repair Services for Energy Management Systems at Various Locations in the Stickney Service Area, estimated cost \$45,000.00

 Published and Filed
- 7 [11-0541](#) Report on rejection of proposals for 10-RFP-22, Appraisal Services for Real Estate, estimated cost \$99,000.00

 Published and Filed
- 8 [11-0542](#) Report on rejection of bids for Contract 10-468-12, Furnish and Deliver Forty-Seven (47) Multi-Functional Photocopier Devices and a Four (4)-Year Repair Service, Supplies, and Maintenance Agreement at Various District Locations, estimated cost \$385,000.00

 Published and Filed

Authorization

- 9 [11-0524](#) Authorization to enter into an agreement for Contract 11-RFP-08 Dual-Choice Dental Plan, with BlueCross BlueShield of Illinois, a division of Health Care Service Corporation, for a three-year period, effective July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2014, Account 101-25000-601250

 Approved
- 10 [11-0525](#) Authorization to enter into an agreement for Contract 11-RFP-09 Combined PPO/HMO Plan Administrator, with BlueCross BlueShield of Illinois, a division of Health Care Service Corporation, for a three-year period, effective July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2014, Account 101-25000-601250

 Approved

- 11 [11-0535](#) Authorization to amend the Board Order of March 17, 2011 for Authority to advertise Contract 11-736-11, Furnish, Deliver and Install a Solar Hot Water Heating System at the Egan Water Reclamation Plant, 401-50000-645650, Requisition 1319505, Agenda Item No. 53, File Number 11-0419

Attachments: [11-736-11 BL Authority To Advertise.pdf](#)

Approved

Authority to Advertise

- 12 [11-0500](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-603-11 Furnishing and Delivering Roadway Rock Salt to Various Service Areas, estimated cost \$166,800.00, Accounts 101-67000/68000/69000-623130, Requisitions 1320702, 1320709, 1316552, 1320378 and 1321316

Approved

- 13 [11-0502](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-055-11 Furnish and Deliver Pipe Covering and Insulation to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$45,000.00, Account 101-20000-623170

Approved

- 14 [11-0506](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-017-11 Furnish and Deliver Electrical Supplies, Wire and Batteries to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$159,000.00, Account 101-20000-623070

Approved

- 15 [11-0509](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-633-11 Furnish and Deliver Polymer to the Stickney and Egan Water Reclamation Plants, estimated cost \$18,000,000.00, Accounts 101-67000/69000-623560, Requisitions 1320679 and 1321343

Approved

- 16 [11-0510](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-801-11 Furnish and Deliver One Vertical Bed Mill, One Vertical Keyseater and One Hydraulic Press Brake with Dies to the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$300,000.00, Account 101-68000-634650, Requisition 1319213

Approved

- 17 [11-0516](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-812-11 Maintain and Repair Absorption Chillers at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$270,000.00, Account 101-68000-612680, Requisition 1318569

Approved

- 18 [11-0518](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-710-11 Services to Maintain and Repair Boilers, HVAC Equipment and Appurtenances in the North Service Area, estimated cost \$50,000.00, Account 101-67000-612680, Requisition 1321333

Approved

- 19 [11-0523](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-753-11 Contract Farming Services at the Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$330,000.00, Account 101-67000-612520/612530, Requisition 1318901 *(As Revised)*
A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Frank Avila that the Acting Executive Director lift his earlier deletion. Motion carried by roll call 9:0

A motion was made to eliminate herbicide application.

A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Terrence J. O'Brien

- 20 [11-0531](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-933-11 Maintenance Services for Cathodic Protection Systems in the Stickney Service Area, estimated cost \$200,000.00, Account 101-69000-612600, Requisition 1314103

Approved

Issue Purchase Order

- 21 [11-0501](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with System Solutions, Inc., for furnish and deliver Cisco Network Equipment and Maintenance to the Main Office Complex, in an amount not to exceed \$168,818.77, Accounts 101-27000-612840, 623850, 634840, Requisition 1322031

Debra Shore voted Present

Approved

- 22 [11-0530](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 11-045-11 to Sun-Times Media Productions, LLC, to Publish Invitations to Bid for Contracts and Publish Legal Notices for Original Entrance and Promotional Civil Service Examinations and Other Legal Notices for a (1) Year Period, in an amount not to exceed \$48,000.00, Account 101-20000-612360 Requisition 1319758

Approved

- 23 [11-0536](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Sirius Automation Inc. to Furnish, Deliver and Install a Sirius Automated Weigher Robotic Workstation, in an amount not to exceed \$100,825.00, Account 101-16000-634970, Requisition 1321681

Approved

- 24 [11-0539](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Trans-Energy Systems Corporation, for Furnishing, Delivering and Installing One Transmission Energy Adaptive Management (TEAM) System Master Heat Panel at the Hugh H. McMillan Pavilion, in an amount not to exceed \$40,471.00, Account 101-15000-612680, Requisition 1321668

Approved

Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

- 25 [11-0504](#) Authority to increase Contract 07-162-2S, Westdale Gardens Pumping Station & Force Main, Northwest 8A Extension A, to Northwest General Contractors Inc., in an amount of \$1,321.00, from an amount of \$1,933,098.12, to an amount not to exceed \$1,934,419.12, Account 401-50000-625600, Purchase Order 5001138

Attachments: [CO 07-162-2S.pdf](#)

Approved

- 26 [11-0507](#) Authority to increase Contract 01-353-2M Rehabilitation of the Existing Influent Pumping Station, Kirie Water Reclamation Plant, to Rausch Construction Company, in an amount of \$52,578.95, from an amount of \$21,770,528.58, to an amount not to exceed \$21,823,107.53, Accounts 401-50000-645650 and 645750, Purchase Order 5000394

Attachments: [CO 01-353-2M.pdf](#)

Approved

- 27 [11-0515](#) Authority to increase purchase order and amend the agreement with the law firm of Beveridge & Diamond, P.C. to represent the District in negotiations and probable litigation with the United States Environmental Protection Agency in an amount of \$150,000.00, from an amount of \$1,500,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$1,650,000.00, Account 101-30000-601170, Purchase Order 3045395

Attachments: [C.O. Beveridge & Diamond 4.21.11.PDF](#)

Mariyana T. Spyropoulos lifted her earlier deferral

Approved

- 28 [11-0517](#) Authority to decrease Contract 09-176-3P Sludge Thickening Facilities, Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to McHugh Construction, in an amount of \$15,149.20, from an amount of \$162,798,832.53, to an amount not to exceed \$162,783,683.33, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 5001115

Attachments: [CO 09-176-3P.pdf](#)

Approved

- 29 [11-0520](#) Authority to increase Contract 01-198-AD Demolition of Sludge Disposal Building and Rehabilitation of Pump and Blower House and Coarse Screen Building, Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to IHC Construction Companies, LLC, in an amount of \$15,526.28, from an amount of \$30,758,466.94 to an amount not to exceed \$30,773,993.22, Accounts 101-50000-612680, 401-50000-645680, and 645780, Purchase Order 5000961

Attachments: [CO 01-198-AD.pdf](#)

Approved

- 30 [11-0526](#) Authority to decrease purchase order to Dresser, Inc., to provide services and parts for centrifugal blowers at the Calumet and North Side Water Reclamation Plants, in an amount of \$19,979.00, from an amount of \$157,882.00, to an amount not to exceed \$137,903.00, Account 101-67000-612650, Purchase Order 3057569

Attachments: [Dresser Inc POs 3057569-570 Values as of 4-11-11 for 04-21-11 Board Mtg.](#)

Approved

Budget & Employment Committee

Authorization

- 31 [11-0498](#) Authority to transfer 2011 departmental appropriations in the amount of \$18,000.00 in the Corporate Fund

Attachments: [04.21.11 Board Transfer BF5.pdf](#)

Approved

Engineering Committee

Report

- 32 [11-0532](#) Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Director of Engineering during the month of March 2011

Attachments: [CO March.pdf](#)
 [CO Satus.pdf](#)

Mariyana T. Spyropoulos lifted her earlier deferral

Published and Filed

Maintenance & Operations Committee

Reports

- 33 [11-0511](#) Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Director of Maintenance and Operations during the months of February and March 2011.

Attachments: [Change orders for February - March 2011.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

Real Estate Development Committee**Authorization**

- 34 [11-0497](#) Authority to issue a 4-day permit to the Cook County School District 130 to use approximately 12.13 acres of District land located between Division Street and Chatham Street in Blue Island, Illinois, Cal-Sag Channel Parcel 15.04, for Lincoln School Field Day Events from May 23-26, 2011. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [04-21-11_District 130.pdf](#)

Approved

- 35 [11-0514](#) Authority to issue a 1-day permit to Friends of the Chicago River to access District land at 14 locations along the North Branch of the Chicago River, Main Channel, and Cal-Sag Channel for its Annual Chicago River Day Clean-Up Event on May 14, 2011. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [04-21-11_FOCR.pdf](#)

Approved

- 36 [11-0543](#) Authority to advertise for public tender of bids for a 5-year lease of approximately 1.18 acres of unimproved District real estate located at 12900 S. Throop Street, Calumet Park, Illinois, known as Cal-Sag Channel Parcel 16.04. The minimum initial annual rental bid shall be established at \$13,110.00.

Attachments: [04-21-11_SG Supply.pdf](#)

Approved

- 37 [11-0544](#) Authority to issue a 90-day permit to Illinois Department of Natural Resources to enter 140 +/- acres of District real estate located south of 134th Street, east of Jeffrey Avenue, west of the Calumet River and north of the CID Landfill in Chicago, Illinois, to conduct a wildlife survey. Consideration shall be \$10.00

Attachments: [04-21-11_IDNR.pdf](#)

Approved

- 38 [11-0545](#) Authority to advertise for public tender of bids for the sale of an approximately 11,544± square feet strip (divided into four (4) small lots) of District land located between McCormick Boulevard and Simpson Street in Evanston, Illinois and request for direction with respect to establishing the minimum established bid price of each sub-divided parcel "ADOPTED" REFER TO FILE #11-0545A

Attachments: [04-21-11_McCormick Blvd. Simpson St..pdf](#)

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that the District lease this parcel. Refer to Agenda Item #50, File ID #11-0545A

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Frank Avila, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Terrence J. O'Brien

Nay: 2 - Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Present: 1 - Patricia Horton

Miscellaneous and New Business

Motion

- 39 [11-0533](#) MOTION to recommend that the Acting Executive Director request the Illinois Department of Natural Resources perform a wildlife survey on 140 +/- acres of District real estate located south of 134th Street, east of Jeffrey Avenue, west of the Calumet River, and north of the CID landfill in Chicago, Illinois (As Revised)

A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, that this Motion be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Terrence J. O'Brien

Resolution

- 40 [11-0527](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Greek Independence Day (*Deferred from the April 7, 2011 Board Meeting*) (As Revised)

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Additional Agenda Items

- 41 [11-0512](#) Authority to add project 11-831-31 Design and Build an Open Air Cover for Drying Cell No. 5 at CALSMA to the Engineering Department Capital Improvement Program and the Capital Improvements Bond Fund, estimated cost of the project is \$1,500,000.00

 Deleted by the Acting Executive Director
- 42 [11-0513](#) Authority to add project 11-658-31 Install an Individual Discharge Mechanical Sewage Treatment System at the Lockport Powerhouse to the Engineering Department Capital Improvement Program and the Capital Improvements Bond Fund, estimated cost of the project is \$75,000.00

 Approved
- 43 [11-0519](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-902-11 Furnish and Deliver One Articulating Boom Lift and One Vertical Mast Lift to the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$66,000.00, Account 101-69000-634860, Requisition 1321349

 Approved
- 44 [11-0534](#) Request for approval of the scope of work for the economic analysis component of the Economic Impact Study of the draft Watershed Management Ordinance (Deferred from Board Meeting of April 7, 2011)

 Attachments: [Economic Impact Study \(Deferred\).pdf](#)

 Deleted by the Acting Executive Director with approval from the Board of Commissioners
- 45 [11-0537](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 11-RFP-02 Outsourcing of Storage of District Records for a Three-Year Period, with Federal Records Storage MDMC in an amount not to exceed \$156,800.00, Account 101-15000-612490, Requisition 1313295

 Approved
- 46 [11-0546](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Pitney Bowes Inc., for Supplies, Maintenance, and Repairs of Mail Room Equipment, in an amount not to exceed \$10,928.53, Accounts 101-15000-612800, 623520, Requisition 1313733

 Approved
- 47 [11-0547](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing May 1, 2011, as World Laughter Day (*As Revised*)

 A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

- 48 [11-0548](#) Authority to enter into a consent decree with the United States and the State of Illinois to settle alleged violations of the Clean Water Act and the District's NPDES Permits
- A motion was made by Kathleen Therese Meany, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**
- Aye:** 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Terrence J. O'Brien

- 49 [11-0549](#) Authority to increase Contract 08-613-12 Scavenger Services at Various Locations, Groups E and F, to ARC Disposal & Recycling Co., Inc., in an amount of \$37,500.00, from an amount of \$303,221.43 to an amount not to exceed \$340,721.43, Account 101-67000-612520, Purchase Order 5000903

Attachments: [08-613-12 pdf.pdf](#)

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 19, 38, 39, 40, 41, 44, 47 and 48

Debra Shore voted Present on Item #21

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Patricia Horton, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Terrence J. O'Brien

- 50 [11-0545A](#) MOTION with respect to Agenda Item #38, File ID #11-0545, provide direction to lease the stated District land.

Refer to Agenda Item #38, File ID #11-0545

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Frank Avila, that this Motion be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Terrence J. O'Brien

Nay: 2 - Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Present: 1 - Patricia Horton

Meeting Summary

Speakers

Linda Tourloukis, Park Ridge Hysterical Society accepted a resolution recognizing World Laughter Day. (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #47)

Summary of Requests

None

Study Session

None

Announcements

Terrence O'Brien recognized Eileen McElligott, Bill Casey, Eric Lattyak and Marina Wass for their efforts in maintaining the safety of the building and employees after the fire at MOB.

Board Letter Submission Dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for May 5, 2011, please prepare and submit Board items before the following absolute cutoff dates.

Date agenda items are due to the Director of Procurement and Materials Management for signature and preparation: April 25, 2011

Date Board letters are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., April 28, 2011

Adjournment

A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, that when the Board adjourns it adjourns to meet on Thursday, May 5, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. and that today's meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: /s/ Jacqueline Torres, Clerk

Aye: 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Terrence J. O'Brien

APPROVAL:

In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this April 21, 2011, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Terrence J. O'Brien

President Board of Commissioners of the
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

April 21, 2011